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MANILA, P. I., *October 30, 1901.*

SIR: I have the honor to inform you that 3 cases of plague, all fatal, were reported in Manila, P. I., for the week ended October 26, 1901. Of this number, 2 were Filipinos and 1 was Chinese.

Respectfully,

J. C. PERRY,

*Passed Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.,
Chief Quarantine Officer for the Philippine Islands.*

The SURGEON-GENERAL,
U. S. Marine-Hospital Service.

PORTO RICO.

Reports from Ponce.

PONCE, P. R., *December 2, 1901.*

SIR: Through the chief quarantine officer for Porto Rico, I have the honor to transmit herewith the quarantine and abstract of bills of health for the week ended November 30, 1901; also the summary of transactions of this station, and report of the inspection of immigrants for the month of November, 1901.

During the week 1 vessel was inspected and passed and 4 bills of health were issued.

Nothing of special interest has occurred in quarantine or sanitary lines.

Respectfully,

W. W. KING,

Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.

The SURGEON-GENERAL,
U. S. Marine-Hospital Service.

[Inclosure.]

Summary of transactions of Service during the month of November, 1901.

PONCE, P. R., *December 1, 1901.*

Total number of vessels inspected during November, 1901.....	14
Total number of vessels inspected during November, 1900.....	20
Total number of bills of health issued during November, 1901.....	14
Total number of bills of health issued during November, 1900.....	19
Number of passengers inspected during November, 1901 (incoming).....	129
Number of passengers inspected during November, 1901 (in transit).....	230
Number of crew inspected during November, 1901.....	616
Number of vessels in quarantine during November, 1901.....	4
Number of immigrants inspected during November, 1901.....	15
Rejections.....	0
Number of pieces of baggage disinfected during November, 1901.....	63
Number of pieces of baggage inspected and passed during November, 1901.....	70
Number of sacks of mail disinfected during November, 1901.....	3

PONCE, P. R., *December 9, 1901.*

SIR: Through the chief quarantine officer for Porto Rico, I have the honor to transmit herewith the quarantine and abstract of bills of health reports for the week ended December 7, 1901. Also the mortality statistics of the city for the month of November, 1901. Five vessels were inspected and passed and 1 German steamship, *Castilia*, from Vera Cruz, Tampico, Port-au Prince, Jeremie, Gonaives, Cape Haitien, Puerto Plata, Sanchez, and Samana, was held in quarantine. No cargo nor passengers for Ponce. Loaded coffee and sailed on the same day.

During this and the coming month there are expected many extra

steamers to touch at this port for coffee for Europe. As a rule they come from infected or suspicious ports. Five bills of health were issued.

Respectfully,

The SURGEON-GENERAL,
U. S. Marine-Hospital Service.

W. W. KING,
Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.

[Inclosure.]

Number and causes of deaths in Ponce jurisdiction (city, playa, and surrounding country) during the month of November, 1901.

PONCE, P. R., December 6, 1901.

Diseases of—		Tuberculosis.....	10
Digestive system.....	38	Cancer.....	2
Respiratory system.....	11	Wounds.....	1
Circulatory system.....	5	Metritis.....	1
Nervous system.....	7	Puerperal fever.....	2
Anæmia, malnutrition, inanition.....	12	Hepatitis.....	3
Malaria.....	8	Rhachitis.....	2
Typhoid fever.....	1		
La grippe.....	4	Total.....	108
Nephritis.....	1		

Number of deaths reported during November, 1901 (a).....	108
Number of deaths reported during November, 1900 (a).....	270
Number of births reported during November, 1901 (a).....	115
Number of births reported during November, 1900 (a).....	115

a These figures are for the city proper, the playa, and surrounding district of Ponce, P. R.

Inspection of immigrants at Ponce for the week ended December 7, 1901.

PONCE, P. R., December 9, 1901.

SIR: Through the chief quarantine officer for Porto Rico, I submit herewith report of alien steerage passengers arriving at this port during the week ended December 7, 1901.

December 4, French steamship *St. Domingue*, from Fort de France and St. Thomas, with 6 immigrants.

Respectfully,

The SURGEON-GENERAL,
U. S. Marine-Hospital Service.

W. W. KING,
Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.

Report of immigrants inspected at the port of Ponce, P. R., during the month of November, 1901.

Total number of immigrants inspected, 15; number passed, 15.

W. W. KING,
Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.

The SURGEON-GENERAL,
U. S. Marine-Hospital Service.

Report from San Juan and subports.

SAN JUAN, P. R., December 5, 1901.

SIR: I have the honor to submit herewith the following report of the transactions of the Service at this and the 6 subports of the island of Porto Rico for the month of November, 1901:

San Juan.—Number of vessels inspected, 19; number of bills of health issued, 30; number of vessels held in quarantine, 3; number of